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Charles P. Sifton
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935
Education: Harvard 1957 AB; Columbia 1961 LLB
Began Service: October 12, 1977
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Government: Staff Counsel, Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate (1962-1964); Assistant United States Attorney, District of New York, United States Department of Justice (1966-1969)

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (1995-2000); Member, Judicial Council of the Second Circuit (1995-2001); Member, Judicial Conference of the United States (1998-2001)

Legal Practice: Associate, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP (1961-1962); Associate, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP (1964-1966); Partner, LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby & MacRae (1969-1977)

Current Memberships: The Association of the Bar of the City of New York

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Thomas C. Platt, Jr.
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1925
Education: Yale 1947 BA, 1950 LLB
Began Service: May 1974
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

Corporate: Director and Secretary, RAC Corp. (1972-1974); Director, Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company (1973-1974); Director and Secretary, McIntyre Aviation, Inc. (1967-1974)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1953-1956); Attorney, Office of the Village Attorney, Village of Laurel Hollow, New York (1958-1974); Acting Police Justice, State of New York (1958-1963)

Legal Practice: Associate, Root, Ballantine, Harlan, Bushby & Palmer (1950-1953); Partner, Bleakley, Platt, Schmidt & Fritz (1960-1974)

Military Service: United States Naval Reserve (1943-1946)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Council

Staff
Law Clerk **Christopher Dacus** (631) 712-5600
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Sterling Johnson, Jr.
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: Brooklyn 1963 BA; Brooklyn Law 1966 LLB
Began Service: 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1967-1970); Special Narcotics Prosecutor, United States Department of Justice (1975-1991); Member, United States Sentencing Commission (1999-2002)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps (1952-1955); United States Naval Reserve (1955-1975)

Current Memberships: National Conference of Federal Trial Judges, American Bar Association; National Black Prosecutors Association; The New York State Bar Association; New York State District Judges Association

Staff
Law Clerk **Davina Figeroux** (718) 613-2460
Term Expires: 2010
Education: Pennsylvania 1999 BA;
Georgetown 2002 JD
Law Clerk **Zoe Salzman** (718) 613-2460
Term Expires: October 2009
Education: NYU 2007 JD, 2008 LLM
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Arthur D. Spatt
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1925
Education: Ohio State 1947; Brooklyn Law 1949 LLB
Began Service: December 15, 1989
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Judicial: Justice, New York Supreme Court, 10th Judicial Circuit (1978-1982); Administrative Judge, Nassau County (1982-1986); Associate Justice, New York Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department, Appellate Division (1986-1989)

Legal Practice: Associate, Davidson & Davidson; Associate, Lane, Winard, Robinson & Schorr; Associate, Alfred S. Julien (1951-1952); Associate, Florea & Florea; Sole Practitioner (1953-1967); Partner, Spatt & Bauman (1967-1978)

Military Service: United States Navy (1944-1946)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Association of Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York; Federal Bar Association; Jewish Lawyers Association of Nassau County; Long Beach Lawyers Association; Nassau County Bar Association

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Law Clerk **Sean Farrell** (631) 712-5620
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Denis R. Hurley
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937
Education: Wharton 1959 BS; Columbia 1962 MBA; Fordham 1966 LLB
Began Service: December 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Instructor, Long Island University (1971-1973); Instructor, Suffolk County Community College (1984-1990); Adjunct Professor, Touro (1995-1997)

Government: Principal Assistant District Attorney, State of New York (1968-1970); Legislator, County of Suffolk, New York (1978-1979); Senior Assistant County Attorney, County of Suffolk, New York (1980-1981)

Judicial: Judge, New York State Family Court (1983-1987); Acting Justice, New York Supreme Court (1987-1988); Judge, New York State County Court (1988-1991)

Legal Practice: Associate, Bond, Schoenck & King, LLP (1966-1968); Associate, Pike, Behringer & Hurley

Military Service: New York Army National Guard (1960-1966)

Nonprofit: Member, Little Flower Union Free School Board (1972-1977)

Current Memberships: Suffolk County Bar Association

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Frederic Block
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: Indiana 1956 AB; Cornell 1959 LLB
Began Service: 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, Touro College (1992-1994)

Clerkships: Law Clerk, New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Third Judicial Department (1959-1961)

Government: Counsel, Education Committee, New York State Constitutional Convention (1967)

Legal Practice: Associate, Dranitzke & Lehtrecker (1961-1962); Sole Practitioner (1962-1963); Partner, Burns & Block (1963-1965); Sole Practitioner (1965-1968); Partner, Baranello, Block & Namm (1968-1974); Sole Practitioner (1974-1979); Partner, Hull, Block & Grundfast (1977-1979); Sole Practitioner (1979-1981); Partner, Block & Costa (1981-1983); Sole Practitioner (1983-1985); Partner, Block & Hamburger (1985-1988); Partner, Block, Amelkin & Hamburger (1988-1994)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The New York State Bar Association; Suffolk County Bar Association

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David G. Trager
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937
Education: Columbia 1959 AB; Harvard 1962 LLB
Began Service: 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Associate Professor of Law, Brooklyn Law School (1972-1974); Professor of Law, Brooklyn Law School (1978-1993); Dean, Brooklyn Law School (1983-1993)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Kenneth B. Keating (1968-1969); Law Clerk The Honorable Stanley H. Fuld (1969)

Government: Assistant Corporation Counsel, Appeals Division, City of New York, New York (1967); Chief, Eastern District of New York, Appeals Division, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1970-1972); United States Attorney, Eastern District of New York, United States Department of Justice (1974-1978)

Legal Practice: Associate, Berman & Frost (1963-1965); Associate, Butler, Jablow & Geller (1965-1967)

Military Service: United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1962-1965); United States Naval Reserve (1965-1969)

Current Memberships: The American Law Institute; The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Federal Bar Council; Judicial Conference of the United States

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Edward R. Korman
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1942
Education: Brooklyn 1963 BA; Brooklyn Law 1966 LLB; NYU 1971 LLM
Began Service: 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Professor, Brooklyn Law School (1984)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Kenneth B. Keating, New York Court of Appeals (1966-1968)

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